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(C) CAIRO 6614 (NOTAL)

1. STATE, AID AND TREASURY OFFICERS MET WITH IBRD VICE
PRESIDENT, MUNIR BENJENK, APRIL 22. BENJENK REVIEWED
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RECENT TRIP TO EGYPT, ATTITUDES OF CONSULTATIVE GROUP (CG)
PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING ARABS AND THEME FOR CG.

2. BENJENK ESSENTIALLY COVERED SAME INFO REPORTED REF A.
RE MEETING WITH SADAT, BENJENK SAID SADAT LISTENED WITH
INTEREST TO HIS PRESENTATION. IN RESPONSE, SADAT SAID HE
HAS DISCUSSED FORMATION OF ECONOMIC TEAM OUTSIDE CABINET

WITH PM AND DPM KAISOONI. SADAT SAID HE WAS ESTABLISHING AN QUOTE EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY UNQUOTE COMPOSED OF PM, DPM, AND QUOTE THE ECONOMIC TEAM UNQUOTE (ASSUME THESE ARE MIN ECON, MIN FIN, AND MIN PLANNING) WHICH WILL REPORT REGULARLY TO PRESIDENT ON ECONOMIC SITUATION. PRESIDENT WILL FOLLOW SITUATION CLOSELY. SADAT SAID GROUP WOULD BE ESTABLISHED AT NEXT CABINET MEETING. BENJENK COMMENTED TO SADAT THAT IBRD HAD A MANAGEMENT REPORTING SYSTEM WHICH ELIMINATED UNNECESSARY DETAIL BUT PROVIDED ESSENTIAL INFO

TO SENIOR MANAGEMENT FOR TRACKING PROGRESS. SADAT APPARENTLY EXPRESSED INTEREST IN SUCH A SYSTEM AND IBRD MAY BE ASKED TO DEVELOP ONE FOR HIM.

3. ACCORDING TO BENJENK NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE RE SADAT RESPONSE TO MCNAMARA LETTER. HE REASONABLY SURE THAT SADAT HAS SEEN DRAFT REPLY. BENJENK CONFIRMED ACCURACY OF IMPRESSION REPORTED REFTEL C.

4. BENJENK OPTIMISTIC ABOUT CG MEETING. HE FEELS IBRD THRUST OF AID LEVELS OVER NEXT FOUR YEARS WITH CASH ELEMENT DECLINING AND PROJECT PORTION INCREASING HAS WON ACCEPTANCE FROM DONORS, ESPECIALLY AMONG ARABS. MOST IMMEDIATE CONCERN OF DONORS WILL BE ABOUT EGYPT'S EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE ITSELF TO USE AID. BENJENK ALSO THINKS EGYPTIANS HAVE BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF PURPOSE OF CG MEETING AND WILL BE LOOKING FOR ENDORSEMENT OF THEIR EFFORTS. OF PARTICIPANTS, KUWAITIS SEEM TO BE MOST CRITICAL OF EGYPT AND JAPANESE MOST SILENT.
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5. ACCORDING TO BENJENK, KAISOONI PLANNING TO VISIT PARIS MAY 8 (TWO DAYS BEFORE CG MEETING) TO DISCUSS AID TO EGYPT WITH GOF.
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